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PRIMARY IS CALLED

Republicans to Name Candidates for the Various Offices to be Voted for in November.

DATE IS APRIL 16

On January 21 the Republican County Committee met and by unanimous vote called a primary for the purpose of nominating candidates for county offices. Since said arrangement was made quite a lot of our fellow citizens have announced for the various offices and we place them below with a nice notice for each and will keep their names before the public till the primary is over. The date for said primary is April 16, and we shall be glad to have the announcement of all other candidates and shall treat all alike. The price, except for Coroner and Surveyor, is \$5 with the "trimmings" thrown in for good. You can't hope to be elected unless you announce through the Eagle. GET ON!

Jason Cox

In this issue of the Eagle appears the announcement of Jason Cox as a candidate for the nomination of Jailer of Letcher County to be voted for at the Republican Primary to be held April 16th, 1909. Mr. Cox is, comparatively speaking, a young man and under very adverse circumstances has forged himself to the place he now occupies by his own efforts. He has never held an office except as a deputy under Sheriff Crawford. Mr. Cox is a married man, has a family and is regarded as an honest, brave and manly citizen. Jason will evidently measure an equal length with any of his competitors. The Eagle "skoots" him forth and asks the consideration he is entitled to by his fellow citizens.

Randall Day

N. R. Day who announces this week as a candidate for County Court Clerk is a well known young man of this neighborhood and pretty thoroughly acquainted all over the county. He is a son of Justice H. T. Day. Randall is well connected both by marriage and otherwise; is both a Mason and a Red Man and stands high in each of these fraternities. If nominated at the Republican Primary he will evidently make a strong candidate in November and if elected we believe would make a good officer.

William Hall

William M. Hall, whose announcement appears as a candidate for jailer of Letcher county, is a son of Uncle Tom Hall who lives near Mouth of Colly. From youth, from what we have seen of him he has always been moral and honest and a good citizen. He is 38 years old and married. Eight years ago he was a candidate for this same office before the Republican primary and was defeated by only a few votes. This time he thinks the people will gladly rally to his support. Mr. Hall is well connected and will make a strong runner.

Henry Dixon

Henry C. Dixon, who asks in this issue to be nominated for County School Superintendent, is a son of Eld. James Dixon, one of our oldest Baptist ministers. He is also a son-in-law of Uncle Moses Whitaker, a worthy citizen of the county. Henry has been a teacher in the public schools of our county for a great number of years and is said to be one of our strongest workers in

CANDIDATES Before the Primary

List of Announcements Continues to Grow--Are You Looking for Office?

DON'T WAIT But Start to Running

For Circuit Clerk
E. L. Baker is a candidate for Clerk of the Letcher Circuit Court.

For Justice of Peace
Henry C. Boggs is a candidate for Justice of Peace in District 4.

For County Attorney
R. Monroe Fields is a candidate for County Attorney of Letcher county.

For Jailer
Jason Cox is a candidate for Jailer of Letcher county.

Solomon E. Holcomb is a candidate for jailer of Letcher county.

William M. Hall, of Colson, is a candidate for Jailer of Letcher county.

For County Judge
W. H. Blair, of Colson, is a candidate for County Judge of Letcher county.

John R. Sumpter is a Republican candidate for County Judge of Letcher county.

For Superintendent
Henry C. Dixon is a candidate for Superintendent of Schools of Letcher county.

George W. Jenkins is a candidate for Superintendent of Schools of Letcher county.

Jas S. Pendleton is a candidate for Superintendent of Schools of Letcher county.

For County Court Clerk
N. R. Day is a candidate for County Court Clerk of Letcher county.

The Eagle is authorized and paid to announce R. B. Bentley a candidate for County Court Clerk of Letcher county.

For Assessor
George M. Adams is a candidate for Assessor of Letcher county.

William Combs, of Smoot Creek, is a candidate for Assessor of Letcher county.

The Eagle is authorized to announce Shade R. (Red) Combs a candidate for Assessor of Letcher county.

For Sheriff
We are authorized to announce Louis Cook a candidate for sheriff of Letcher county.

Henry Potter is a candidate for the Republican nomination for sheriff of Letcher county.

We are authorized to announce Riley Ison (Red Gid's son) a candidate for Sheriff of Letcher county.

We are authorized to announce John Ison, (Little John) of Kingdom Come creek, a candidate for sheriff of Letcher county.

that profession. He was nominated and elected Surveyor for this county four years ago and so far as we have heard has made a faithful officer.

Jas. S. Pendleton

The attention of our readers is called to the announcement of Jas. S. Pendleton as a candidate for the nomination to succeed himself as Superintendent of schools of this county. As is well known Mr. Pendleton has been at the head of the educational affairs of this county for over three years and as far as we have observed has been faithful to his charge. Mr. Pendleton, as our readers are aware, is well educated, proficient, honest and alert. He has made a good official and says he will have more to say to our readers as the campaign waxeth.

William Combs

William Combs who comes before the voters as a candidate for the nomination for Assessor of our county is a son of Wesley Combs of Smoot Creek a well known citizen. Wm. Combs, it seems to us, is an excellent young man, educated sufficiently for any ordinary purpose. He is moral and sober and in talking to us stated that he was never drunk in his life and that he had not tasted whisky in fourteen years. An excellent mark of a young man! He will make a worthy competitor for his equally as worthy opponents.

ONLY for cash

We receive quite a number of Letters from our friends out in the country who are candidates asking us to announce them for this and the other. Now, that all may understand, now and for the future, we will state that if you want to get in the "swim" or hear the "fiddle" you must pay the "fiddler" or come and see him or write him enclosing the five, the two or the one as the case may be.

To be sure that you are actually running and not walking there is no other way out of it except to ANNOUNCE in the

EAGLE BIRD

Extracts From Interesting Personal Letter

We take the liberty of publishing some extracts from a letter just received from an ex-Letcherite who now resides near Vanceburg, Lewis County. The first reflects some ideas regarding the growing of tobacco and also what may be impending in the tobacco growing sections of the state. The second regards the raising of strawberries, a very profitable as well as pleasant industry when once the people get on to it.

Following are the extracts:
"If anyone in Lewis county has yet burned a plant-bed except me I have not heard of it. Late Friday evening Hassell and I burned one seventy-five feet long and it took us about three days to prepare it. We think of planting at least four acres this year as we find it no more trouble to care for that much than an acre or two, and besides, when it is sold, the money counts more. See?

But - mark this prediction - there is a war-cloud forming out about Winchester and trouble will be the inevitable result. The Equity movement is a laud-

able one; it has wrought wonders in the face of circumstances very adverse. It has absolutely triumphed beyond the most sanguine anticipations of its promoters, and, while I am in sympathy with its interests, I should prefer to remain independent of it. Their approaching campaign will be on an easy grade, and I am sure everything must gently come to it, or trouble will follow. Even before campaign plans have crystallized, low mutterings have been heard down in Mason and Bracken like this: 'Lewis can grow tobacco this year, but not independent of the Equity.' But this is enough along this line."

"I've been thinking for some time I'd write a little for the Eagle on strawberry growing, but I do not know that it would be of benefit to anyone. What in the world do the people in Whitesburg do for nice berries to eat through the summer season? It is so easy to grow a few, even half an acre on suitable ground. Your family, large as it is, could not begin to use what would grow on even one-eighth of an acre."

Choice Selections BY "KARLYLE"

The more a girl smiles the less she means it.

LOOKED IN WRONG EYE

In a certain railway collision one of the victims lay for a long time on his back across some ties. Finally two men picked him up and carried him into the station and placed him on the floor. "He'll lie easier here till the doctor comes." The doctor came a little later. Glancing at the victim he said, "This poor chap is done for, I'm afraid." Then he knelt down, lifted one of the man's closed eyelids and peering into a dull, blank, unseeing, lifeless eye, said, "Yes, he's dead alright; take him away." But the pale lips of the victim moved slightly and a feeble voice murmured, "That's my glass eye, yo' durn fool."

If your ideas are not worth two cents write them on a post card.

YOU KNOW THE MAN

Most of us are acquainted with the person who asks obvious questions, the sort that stops you in a headlong rush to ask if you are in a hurry. One of these pests stopped in front of a friend's house the other morning and noticing three large wagons loaded with furniture and household effects and seeing his friend directing operations, asked:

"What, B.! are you moving?"

"Oh, no, not at all; I'm taking my furniture out riding?"

A man never realizes how silly his love letters are until he hears some of them read in court.

One woman is always suspicious of another woman who doesn't talk much.

Don't worry, things are never half as bad as it is possible for them to be.

A broken promise cannot be mended so that it will look like new.

OVERLAPPED HIS HAND

"Sir, I have been told that you are looking for a clerk," began the bumptious applicant.

"So I am," answered the man at the desk.

"I suppose you want a man who neither smokes, drinks nor swears and never engages in games of chance? One whose character is the best? One who is honest, industrious and thoroughly capable? One who will stop at nothing, consistent with his principles, to further the interest of his employer? In short, a brisk, intelligent, all-round man who knows business from A to Z and will never be caught napping? If so, I am the individual you are looking for."

"You will pardon my diffidence I hope; if you are half as competent as you claim to be I feel myself unworthy of becoming your boss. Good morning," said the man at the desk.

Most men are cheerful givers when they have a chance to hand out advice.

WHAT HE PLANTED

The Bishop of Richmond tells this story. "There was farmer, a nice old gentleman, who took it into his head to grow flax and he did so. Raising a good crop, he sent it off to be made into a table cloth. Some time later, when seated at dinner, he said to a lady near him, 'Do you know, I grew this tablecloth myself?' 'Did you, really? How ever did you manage it?' 'Well, if you'll promise not to tell anyone, I'll tell you; I planted a napkin.'"

There is a difference in a wagging tongue and a wagon tongue - but not in the length.

HOME CIRCLE

CHOICE READING FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY--REFLECT!

WOMAN AND HOME

The chief anxiety is not that woman have other rights accorded her, but that she, by the grace of God, rise up to the appreciation of the glorious rights she already possesses. First, she has the right to make home happy. That realm no one has ever disputed with her. Your abode may be humble, but you can, by your faith in God and your cheerfulness of demeanor, gild it with splendors such as an upholsterer's hand never kindled. There are abodes in every city - humble, two stories, four plain, unpapered rooms, undesirable neighborhood, and yet there is a man who would die on the threshold rather than surrender. Why? It is home. Whenever he thinks of it, he sees angels of God hovering around it. The ladders of heaven are let down to that house. Over the child's rough crib there are the chantings of angels as those that broke over Bethlehem. It is home. These children may come up after awhile, and they may win high position, and they may have an affluent residence, but they will not to their dying day forget that humble roof under which their father rested, and their mother sang, and their sisters played. Oh, if you would gather up all tender memories, all the lights and shades of the heart, all banquetings and reunions, all filial, fraternal, paternal and conjugal affections, and you had only just four letters with depth and length and breadth and magnitude and eternity of meaning you would, with streaming eyes, and trembling voice, and agitated hands, write it out in those four living capitals, H-O-M-E.

WOMAN'S ESSAY

A boy can sit still on a sled six inches square, tied to a sleigh moving eight miles an hour; but couldn't sit still on a sofa five minutes for a dollar. A man will sit on an inch edge of a board and talk politics for three hours; put him in a church pew for forty minutes he gets nervous, twists and turns, and goes to sleep. A man will pouch his cheeks with filthy tobacco, juice runs down to his chin, feels good; but a hair in the butter kills him. He stays out till midnight, wife don't know where he is, comes home when he pleases; but if a meal is not ready just on time, pouts, frowns, and says unpretty things. Evidently man is a very strange animal. Gets full, beastly drunk, imagines he's rich, a great man, bets on losing horses, goes broke, quarrels and fights, gets in jail, eyes dressed for Easter, face frescoed and morals depraved, yet he is "Lord of all creation and monarch of all he surveys." Strange animal, this man."

WHAT TO FORGET

If you would increase your happiness and prolong your life, forget your neighbor's faults. Forget all the slander you ever heard. Forget the temptations,

Forget the faultfinding, and remember only the good points which made you fond of them. Forget all personal quarrels or histories you may have heard by accident, and which, if repeated, would seem a thousand times worse than they are. Blot out, as far as possible, all the disagreeableness of life; they will come, but will only grow larger when you remember them, and the constant thought of the acts of meanness, or, worse still, malice, will only tend to make you more familiar with them. Obliterate everything disagreeable from yesterday, start out with a clean sheet today, and write upon it for sweet memory's sake only those things which are lovely and lovable.

A man thinks he knows it all, until a woman begins to enlighten him.

There is more sunshine in life to the minute than there is misery to the mile. But, after all, it is just the way you look at it.

This world is but the stepping stone of an immortal life. Every action of our life touches on some chord that will vibrate in eternity.

Let the path of life start whence it may, and let the way be steep and thorny if it must, there are sunny fields far up the heights for those who have faith and resolution to climb them.

The past is fixed. No tears can wash away its facts. We should waste no regrets upon it; but, from the wisdom its very sins have taught us, we should start afresh on the race.

It takes but a little push to start a stone rolling down hill, and many a heavy-hearted human being has been sent into the depths because of a push in the wrong direction. It may be because it is easier to push than to pull that we move along with the crowd, saying inwardly, "each one for himself," and scarce think it worth while to lend a helping hand where it is most needed.

Deane

Mrs. Albert Meade is very ill of dropsy. J. M. Meade went over to Boone on business. G. W. Estep made a trip to Smoot Creek. John Anderson, aged 22, son of Mrs. Reuben Anderson, died on January 25 after a long illness. Spoopendyche.

Henry Boggs

In this issue of the Eagle appears the announcement of Henry C. Boggs of Eolia as a candidate for Justice of the Peace of District No. 4, (Cumberland,) Letcher county. Mr. Boggs is a good citizen of his district, is a member of the Baptist church, and is a merchant and amply qualified, as we believe, for the place he asks. Being a republican he is willing to submit his claims to the voters at the Primary to be held April 16th.

LATE HAPPENINGS

BY "JOE"

LATE PRIMARY CANDIDATES.

Sam Collins is a candidate for Sheriff of Letcher county.

E.B. Hale is a candidate for Superintendent of Schools of Letcher county.

Gee, it did turn cold!

However, its clear as a whistle now.

Candidates are still plentiful.

See the Primary Rules on this page.

Ira Fields is attending court at Hazard.

Sam Collins returned from Richmond Saturday.

Judge Baker has been up the river for several days.

Who said that Harrison Banks would be a candidate?

Its a good time to run now while the ground is frozen.

Watch the Eagle if you want to keep posted as to who is really running.

Quite a number of candidates have cards in this issue and we solicit others.

The Republican Primary date was changed to April 16 to make it more convenient.

F.M. Blair says he is just waiting till the cold spell is over before bringing the rest of 'em in.

For the first time this winter skates were to be seen on every hand, (or foot) last Sunday and Monday.

The school at this place still increases. There are now almost 100 in attendance. All are highly pleased with the progress being made.

Several other candidates are spoken of for county offices but the people know nothing for sure until they see it "writ down in the Eagle."

Friday and Saturday Supt. Pendleton conducted the examination for high school admissions and a number entered, but the result is not yet known.

The series of sermons and lectures delivered by Elder Powell, corresponding secretary of the Baptist church organization, were much enjoyed by our people.

Considerable interest has been manifested in the meetings held at the M.E. church. Eld. Fryman is an entertaining talker and is thoroughly alive to his great work.

Don't neglect paying your subscription. Some bright Thursday, Friday or Saturday you may find that no Eagle has arrived for you. It would not be our fault, but yours.

Why not get together on the 12th and say a few words in honor of the "Great Emancipator" and friend to human freedom, Abraham Lincoln? It will be his 100th anniversary.

See the following new candidates on our bill board: Jas. S. Pendleton, Sam Collins, Randall Day, Wm. Combs, Jason Cox, Wm. Hall, E.B. Hale, Henry C. Boggs.

How will it read next week?

Attorney Robt. Blair is now at Anadargo, Okla., attending the trial of his brother, Joseph A. Blair, which began at that place last Monday if there was no hitch in the proceedings. As soon as

the result is known we will give it to our readers.

We think it suicidal to push a man on when he don't want to run.

New quarters will soon be opened up in the Bull Hole and a keeper appointed.

Did you promise to bring us a turn of meal on subscription? Are you dead? I haven't had it.

Our readers in the Cumberland section will please notice the announcement of Henry C. Boggs for Magistrate.

Its none of our business, but why not let it be, "R. M. Fields without opposition?" Isn't it deserving?

Advertising has about closed out John A. Webb's stock of goods, but he still has enough to make you a price that will open your eyes.

In three weeks more the Eagle will be 1 1/2 years old and if you have paid nothing on the second year or are six months behind the law says the paper shall stop. Please think of this.

Found Dead in Bed

Hindman, Feb. 1—Aunt Margaret Tignor, widow of Patrick Tignor, who was killed at this place several years ago by Ep. Gibson, was found dead in bed at her home on Troublesome last Saturday morning. Her son, William, had gone to call her as had been his custom, and getting no response went into the room and found her cold in death. She was a good, Christian woman, loved and respected by all. The remains were laid to rest in the Amburgey cemetery Sunday.

Let the Eagle have your announcement if you expect to be IN IT! NOW is the BEST TIME! COME ON!

A Card From Riley Ison

To the People of Letcher County: Every four years the people of our county look around and choose some of their citizens to fill the various county offices. Now, I want to be one of those choices. I want to be sheriff of Letcher county and am asking the people to nominate me for the said office at the Republican Primary on April 16. If I should be nominated and elected I will make every effort to do my duty and will be under lasting obligations for the trust imposed on me. I have had some experience in almost everything except official life. Am 30 years old and have always been a hard working citizen. Am a son of Gideon Ison, Sr., who died in 1903. In 1901 the people of our county honored my brother, Byrd Ison, with the office of Assessor for which we have ever been thankful. Linefork never had a county officer until then and we feel that it is time to be recognized again. I am sure the people ought to give their closest attention to the selection of good men to office and believe they will. Every section of the county ought to be represented. Now, gentlemen, please give this your careful attention and when you go to the polls to vote on April 16 remember me. I want to see and talk to all voters in the county before that time but may not do so. So, soliciting the earnest, honest support of my fellow citizens, I subscribe myself,

Very respectfully,
RILEY ISON,

RULES for holding the Republican Primary for Letcher county adopted by the Rep. Co. Com. at meeting held in the Courthouse on Jan. 21, 1909.

Rule 1—That a primary election be held at the regular voting place in each voting precinct now fixed by law in the county of Letcher by opening a poll in each of said precincts on the 16th day of April, 1909, from the hours of 6 a.m. to 4 p.m., standard time, for the purpose of nominating Republican candidates for the offices of Circuit Court Clerk, County Court Clerk, Judge, Attorney, Sheriff, Jailor, Superintendent, Assessor, Surveyor, Coroner, Constable, Justice of Peace.

Rule 2—That the Rep. Co. Com. of Letcher county shall meet at the Courthouse at 1 p.m. on April 1, 1909, and shall appoint suitable persons to act as officers of the election for said primary election, as the law directs, and for each voting precinct in said county, and that each candidate shall have the right to furnish the county committee with names of suitable Republicans to act as election officers, and if the candidates submit such lists the election officers shall be named from the said lists, dividing them as nearly equal among the candidates as can be done.

Rule 3—When the time for closing the polls arrives the officers shall close them; after counting the votes in each precinct in said county they shall publicly announce the result and before leaving the voting place shall certify the vote, each officer and inspector retaining a copy of the certificate, and shall within 72 hours thereafter file a copy of said certificate with the chairman of the Co. Ex. Com. They shall also file with said chairman of said committee the poll books, challenge vote, ballots received by them at said election and all questioned or rejected ballots, marked and sealed as the law directs, and the county committee shall on the 20th day of April meet at the Courthouse and canvass the returns as required by law.

Rule 4—Each candidate meeting the requirements of this call shall have his name printed upon the official ballots to be used at said primary election under a device selected by him, and the position upon the ballot shall be determined by the county chairman.

Rule 5—Only known Republicans, who are legal voters in their precincts at the time of offering, and who affiliate with the Republican party, shall be permitted to vote in said primary.

Rule 6—Before any candidate desiring to enter this primary shall be entitled to have his name placed upon the ballots to be voted at this primary he will be required to take and subscribe to the following oath:

"I, _____, being a candidate for the Republican nomination for the office of _____, do hereby swear that I will make the race so long as I continue to be a candidate on my own merits and claims to the office which I seek. That I will at all times while in said race deal strictly fair and square with any and all my opponents wherever they may be. That I have not and will not, directly or indirectly nor in any way or by any means whatever, use, cause to be used or permit to be used by myself, friends or anyone else for me or for my benefit, any spirituous, vinous or malt liquors or any mixture thereof or any intoxicating beverages of any kind or description, or any money or other thing of value, or swap, barter or exchange votes with any other candidate for any other office, in this primary or at the Nov. election, 1909. Nor will I knowingly and willingly permit anyone, male or female, to do these things for me or to influence by so doing any elector to cast his ballot for me at said primary election. I swear that I will not at any time or place or in any way at all reimburse anyone for anything he, she or they, have spent or claims to have spent for me or in my interest in this race. I swear that when I select my list of election officers for this primary that I will to the very best of my judgment select but those who are strictly honest, upright, sober, intelligent Republicans of this county, and who in my opinion will do exactly right towards all candidates regardless of their own personal choice. I swear I will do my best to give each and all of the electors who enter this primary a full and free expression of their choice of candidates and to have that expression recorded exactly as given. I swear that I will not by word, sign or token or in any way, procure or cause to be procured or consent to be procured, or knowingly permit to be procured, by anyone else for me, or at all, or to be used for me or for my benefit in this race, directly or indirectly, any spirituous, vinous or malt liquors or mixtures of the same, or any money or any other thing of value to be used for me or in my behalf at said primary election. I swear that I am not taking this oath with the purpose of a shrewd politician to evade it, but that I will in all things keep it sacred and inviolate in its whole spirit and meaning. I swear that I will to the best of my ability keep a correct, itemized account of all the money spent by me on account of this primary and will file a copy of same with the Secretary of the county committee before I demand the certificate for the examination of anyone who may desire to examine the same. But it is understood that nothing contained herein shall be so construed as to prevent me from paying any and all the reasonable, legitimate expenses of whatever nature of myself and friends while canvassing the county and electioneering for me."

Andrew J. Sturgill, Secy.

Rule 7—If it shall be made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that any candidate who has received the highest number of votes for any office has violated the provisions of Rule 6, or any of them, no certificate will be awarded to such candidate. And the committee will declare that no nomination has been made for that office, and proceed to call another primary or convention to nominate candidates for any and all such office or offices. But no such steps will be taken until after a full and fair contest has been had before said committee.

Rule 8—Before any certificate is awarded to any candidate he will be required to subscribe to oath No. 6 that he has not violated same.

Subscribed and sworn to before me by _____, this _____ day of _____, 1909.

J. W. Hale, Chmn. Letcher Co. Rep. Com.

Lester Letter

Singing school is doing nicely; 44 enrolled.

Mrs. Wm. Collins, of Colson, is quite sick.

Booker Venters and Nelt Craft passed thro' here.

J.M. Clay and wife, of Sandlick, visited C.H. Crase.

Eld. Joseph Craft preached to a large crowd Sunday.

John Bentley, of Democrat, is attending school at the burg.

Mrs. Willie Bates, of Laurel county, is visiting her father just over in Knott.

Willie Crase and wife, Maggie Bentley and Cora Carter, from Millstone attended church.

Pinky.

Stray Ewe

I have in my lot one fine ewe marked with swallowfork the left half crop and underbit the right ear. Owner may call, pay for this notice and for keeping and take the sheep.

A.C. Craft.

Millstone, Ky.

Elijah Hale

The Eagle announces E.B. Hale a candidate for Superintendent of Schools of Letcher county before the April primary. Having been a teacher in our public schools for a number of years, Mr. Hale is already fairly well acquainted over the county. He is a brother of Attorney John W. Hale, of this place, and a son-in-law of ex-Sheriff Wilson Sergeant of Colly. He is morally and educationally qualified to fill the position he asks. He is an ardent worker in the cause of education and is one of our most successful teachers. We ask your consideration of his claims.

Sam Collins

In the Eagle on this page is the announcement of Sam Collins as a candidate for the Republican nomination for sheriff of Letcher county. Mr. Collins is a well known young man of excellent family connections, being a son of James Collins, of this place, and a brother of ex-County Clerk John W. Collins. Sam Collins, as we believe, is honest, reliable, and if nominated and elected will make a good official.

Read the Cards written by Riley Ison, Louis Cook and John R. Sumpter in this issue.

See Rules of Republican Primary printed on this page. Pretty peppery are they? None too is it?

NOTICE!

Pursuant to a call by the Republican Co. Committee or governing authority of the Republican party of Letcher county made at a meeting of said Committee held at Whitesburg, Ky., on the 11th day of January, 1909,

NOTICE

Is hereby given that on Friday, April 16 1909, between the hours of 6 a.m. and 4 p.m., a primary election will be held in the said Letcher county for the purpose of nominating Republican candidates for the offices of Circuit Court Clerk, County Judge, County Attorney, County Superintendent, County Court Clerk, Sheriff, Jailor, Assessor, Surveyor, Coroner, Constable, Justice of Peace, to be voted for at the regular November election, 1909, for said offices. That for the purpose of holding said primary election a poll will be opened at the regular voting places in each and all of the voting precincts in said county on said day between said hours. Witness our hands this 21st day of January, 1909. John W. Hale, Chmn. Rep. Co. Com. Andrew J. Sturgill, Sec.

Industrial Pictorial Edition

About May 1st the Eagle wants to get out an Industrial Edition the equal of which has never been issued by any mountain publication. We will expect help from every business man, firm and corporation interested in Letcher county or anywhere in this immediate section. Would like to hear from all persons who would like to help advertise our town and county and the mountains in general.

Locates Here

T.H. Howard, Jr., a graduate of Richmond (Va.) College, has located here and will engage in the practice of law. His office is with Salyer & Baker, in the new bank building.

By a special arrangement you can get the Louisville Times, daily, and the Eagle both a year for \$3.55. See ad next week.

Remember The Eagle's big Industrial, Pictorial Edition and be prepared to do your part by us.

Baker Letter

Yes, there are plenty of candidates.

We have had a few days of cold weather.

W.T. Quillen had 37 cans of berries to freeze and burst.

Sol Hall and Rube Anderson are under bond for shooting on the highway.

'Squire Yonts is thinking very strongly of running for County Judge of Letcher county.

Dick.

The Road to Success

has many obstructions, but none so desperate as poor health. Success today demands health, but Electric Bitters is the greatest health builder the world has ever known. It compels perfect action of stomach, liver, kidney, bowels, purifies and enriches the blood, adds tones and invigorates the whole system. Vigorous body and keen brain follow their use. You can't afford to slight Electric Bitters if weak, run down or sickly. Only 50c, guaranteed by Whitesburg drugstore.

Stray Hog

Early last fall a red sandy bar hog with smooth crap and underbit in right ear and hole in left ear came to my place with my hogs and is now there; weighs now about 150 pounds. Owner can have same by paying expense of keeping and advertising.

D.F. Maggard.

Eolia, Ky.

Stray Hogs

I have five head of hogs in my possession and would be glad to find the owner of same. One is a black sow, swallow fork in left ear, three shoats, no mark, and one black and white spotted sow, half crop the left ear. Owner can have same by paying me for keep and for advertising.

Tilden Wright.

WANTED.

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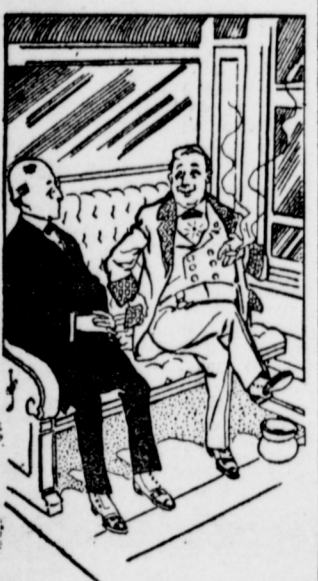
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"Well, one day they elected me to the board of trustees at the church; because I was the heaviest payer, I suppose. I kicked some, not bein' anxious to pose as a pious individual, but finally I gives in."

"I went to two or three meetin's—and say, honest, they were the fiercest things ever."

The minister smiled knowingly. "You're on, I see. Ain't those official meetin's of a church the limit? Gee! Once I went—a cold winter night—waded through snow knee-deep to a giraffe—and sat there two hours."



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while they discussed whether they'd fix the pastor's back fence or not—price \$6! I didn't say anything, bein' sort of new, you know, but I made up my mind that next time I'd turn loose on 'em, if it was the last thing I did."

"But I must get along to my story, about my automatic pastor. One day the preacher resigned."

"When it came to selectin' a committee to get a new pastor, I butted right in."

"Well, sir, it was right then and there I invented my automatic pastor, continuous revolving hand-shaker and circular jolly-hander."

"I brung it before the official brethren one night and explained its modus operandi. I had a wax figure made by the same firm that supplies me with the manikins for my show-windows. And it was a peach, if I do say it myself. Tall, handsome figner, benevolent face, elegant smile that won't come off, as the feller says, Chauncey Depew spinnage in front of each ear. It was a sure-ly-lu."

"Now, I says to 'em, 'gentlemen, speakin' o' pastors, I got one here I want to recommend. It has one advantage anyhow; it won't cost you a cent. I'll make you a present of it, and also chip in, as heretofore, toward operatin' expenses.' That caught old Jake Hicks—worth a hundred thousand dollars, and stinger 'n all git-out."

"Now, you stand this here, whom we will call John Henry, at the door of the church as the congregation enters, havin' previously wound him up, and there he stays, turning around and givin' the glad hand and cheery smile, and so doth his unchangin' power display as the unwearied sun from day to day, as the feller says. Nobody neglected, all pleased. You remember the last pastor wasn't sociable enough, and there was considerable complaint because he didn't hike right down after the benediction and jolly the flock as they passed out. We'll have a wire run the length of the meetin' house, with a gentle slant from the pulpit to the front door, and as soon as meetin' over, up goes John Henry and slides down to the front exit; and there he stands, ey-ratin' and handin' out pleasant greetin' to all—Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to beat the band."

"Now as for preachin', I continued, 'you see all you have to do is to raise up the coat tails and insert a record on the phonograph concealed here in George's mind as the dart of a banderillo adheres to the bull. He went straight home and began to think—a dangerous thing for a light-hearted and delightfully brainless man like George to do; and, worse still, he went on thinking, and as a result of the novel mental irritant wrote a 'work of fiction!' It was—oh, my soul, it was awful! He kept it dark until it was produced—of course, at the author's expense; and here followeth the deluge. Reviews, sarcastic, cynical, openly abusive, poured down on George's curly hair. The worst, the most brutal of the notices

was written by Littleford, the quiet, reserved Littleford, as honest as—singular, I can't think of any name at the moment!—a scholar, and an absolutely conscientious critic. I need not add that he was poor; that follows naturally enough. The review appeared in The Scarifier, and we all promptly showed it to George, some of us with the truly charitable object of checking any further literary effort on his part. He looked rather rueful, but said nothing, drank a soda and whiskey in comparative silence, and shortly afterward disappeared."

Two days later Blossom, with his back to the fire, looked round and remarked regretfully: "Bad bit of business, this of Littleford's! Not heard of it? Really, you fellows seem to go about with your heads in bushel baskets!"

"Some of us require a two-bushel basket," interpolated Millan, glaring significantly at Blossom, who, after hurling parenthetically: "Swelled head yourself!" continued:

"Get the order of the sack from The Scarifier. They're not doing very well, cutting down expenses, and have found some one to take on Littleford's work for less money, I suppose. So the marriage is put off. Awfully pretty girl he's engaged to; met her and Littleford feeding the ducks in the park; told me all about it next day; idyllic story; I wept like a child. Yes, he's got the chuck."

There was a muttered chorus of "Beastly shame!" "Just like old Niggles, of the Scarifier; anything to save a shilling!" "Poor little girl." "Not a bad chap, Littleford, though he's a monster when he's on the war-path." Then we passed to something else. George had said nothing.

Littleford appeared at the club next day, and one of us ventured to express sympathy. He crimsoned and frowned.

"Oh, it's all right," he said, in his curt way; "they've taken me on again, for some reason or other."

"Then the marriage will come off, old man?"

"No; future too uncertain," he replied, shortly; and thereupon proceeded to cut the leaves of a book, preparatory to cutting up the author.

Time passed—if a more useful phrase than this exists, I can only say that I have not met with it—and, incredible as it may seem, George produced another novel. More deluge! The Scarifier came out with a review which made the hair of some of us stand on end, and it was signed—the review, not the hair—"Percy Littleford."

Blossom asked him why he had stuck his name to it. Littleford regarded him grimly for a moment, and then replied:

"Because I discovered that it was George who got me taken on again, and—I had to sign it."

"Oh! Well, I shouldn't be surprised if you now get the ultimate chuck," Blossom commented. "For sheer savagery, this article of yours takes the freehold of a biscuit factory."

We all agreed, for once, with Blossom; and our surprise was stupendous and paralyzing when he pranced into the club the following evening shouting, even more loudly than usual:

"Boys, the old Scarifier has changed hands! And—keep your mouth shut, Millan; I want to tell this standing outside—Littleford has got the editorial chair! And who do you think is the new proprietor? Stand tight! Hold on to something! It's—George!"

George came in before we could avail ourselves of our limited knowledge of English, and was at once surrounded and threatened with several painful deaths, lucidly described in lurid language, unless he instantly explained. He looked shy, for the first time in his life, and stammered as he said:

"Well, I—I wanted to be something in the literary line, like you fellows in the club; and as the novel business didn't pan out very well—though, mind you! I don't think it was worse than some of the stuff you chaps write—I thought I'd buy a paper."

"But why, why choose Littleford for editor?" he was asked. "He is capable enough, of course; but those notices of his!"

"Well—I thought I'd like a straight-up-and-down chap—"

"No man can be straight and an editor at the same time, you blithering idiot!"

"—And—and," added George, stammering and blushing again, "I, too, saw 'em feeding the ducks. Such a jolly little girl! They're to be married next week, and I'm—I'm going to be the best man. I say, couldn't we have champagne on this occasion, just to drink their health? No? Oh, well! Whiskies all 'round, waiter, as usual!"

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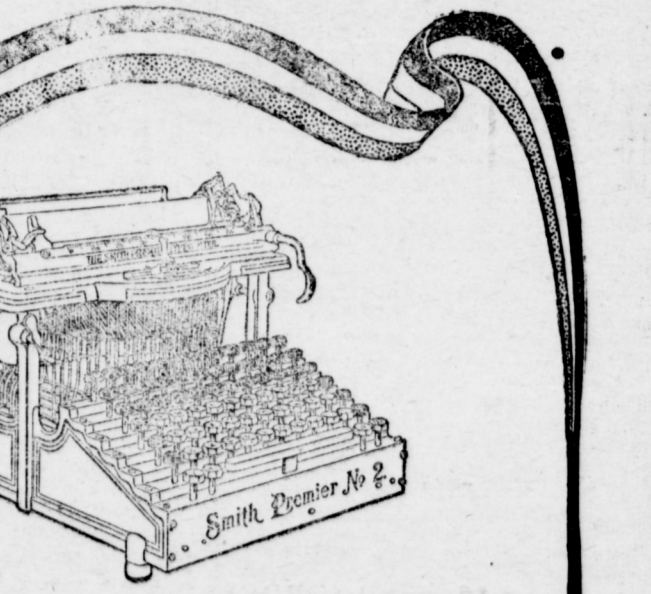
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